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A Partial History of the Family.

John Washburn (1st.) was early in Duxbury. He had an action in Court against Edward Doten, 1632. Is named in assessment of taxes, 1633; purchased Edward Bonifass's place beyond the creek, called "Eagle's Nest," in 1634.

He and his two sons, John and Phillip, are included in those able to bear arms in the Colony, 1643, and his name is also among the first freemen of Duxbury.

He and his son John were original proprietors of South Bridgewater, Mass. as early as 1665.

He died here before 1670; We find no notice of any other children except these two sons.

John (1st.) was the first Secretary of the Council of Plymouth, in England, and was succeeded by William Burgess in 1628; whether he (Burgess) had any connection with the family is not here ascertained.

William, Daniel and John Washburn were proprietors on Long Island as early as 1653 and soon disappeared from the records there; who they were or whither they went, is not ascertained.

We have always supposed that all, of the name, in this part of the country, descended from John (1st) above named.

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The name is variously written in the early records,viz; Washburne, Washborn, Washbourne and Washburn.

The latter is now generally adopted and has always been so written by the family here.

John Washburn (1st.) of Plymouth, 1632, 'Savage' supposed, came from Eversham, County of Worcester, on Shakespeare's *Avon*, England, in 1632 and in 1635 his wife, Margaret, aged 49, with children, John aged 14 and Phillip aged 11, followed him in the ship "Elizabeth and Ann," from London, England, as by the certificate of the Mayor and Minister of Eversham.

He was of the Duxbury side of the water, and became one of the original settlers of Bridgewater and died before 1670.

John (2d.) son of John (1st.) and Margaret, married Dec. 6 1645, Elizabeth, daughter of Experience Mitchell.

He, John 2d., lived at Duxbury some years, but removed to Bridgewater and there made his will in 1686.

In his will we find the following; "I do also wish my Cousin Elizabeth much joy with her daughter that God has given her to her six sons," being an extract from a letter from Thomas Mitchell, dated at Amsterdam July 24 1662, to his uncle, Experience Mitchell.

The application of this congratulation to this family cannot be doubted.

He sold his house and lands in 1670 at Wreens Harbor, Duxbury, which his father had given him.

John (3d.) and Samuel were executors of their father's will. He appointed his kind friend John Tomson and his "brother" Edward Mitchell trustees and overseers in

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the execution of it, and in taking care of his children.

(Experience Mitchell came over in the 3d. ship Ann, 1623. He married for his first wife, Jane, daughter of Francis Cooke, who came over in the *Mayflower*.

Experience Mitchell was in Leyden with the Pilgrims and left a brother, Thomas, there. He had a share in the division of lots at Plymouth in 1623.

John 2d. married Experience Mitchell's daughter Elizabeth 1645. *Thus we are descendants of the Mayflower.*)

John 2d. and Elizabeth had John 3d., marr. Rebecca Lapham. Thomas, marr. Deliverance Packard. Joseph, marr. Hannah Latham. Samuel, marr. Deborah Packard. Jonathan, marr. Mary Vaugh of Scituate. Benjamin. Mary, marr., 1661, William Kinsley. Elizabeth, marr. James Howard. Jane, marr. William Orcutt. James, b. 1672. marr. Mary Bowden in 1693. Sarah, marr. John Ames in 1697.

John 2d served against the Naragansetts in 1645.

James and Mary Bowden had Mary, b. 1694. Ann, b. 1696. James, b. 1698. Edward, b. 1700. Moses, b. 1702. Gideon, b. 1704, and died 1794. Sarah, b. 1706. Martha, b. 1709. Elizabeth, b. 1710.

Gideon, son of James and Mary (Bowden) marr. Mary, daughter of David Perkins, had Abraham, b. 1725 or 30 (exact date unknown) Isaac – Jacob, b. 1733. Gideon and Luke.

Jacob, b. 1733, son of Gideon, had Sally, b. 1779 and Jacob and Francis. He, Jacob, died 1818 aged 85. He was a Lieutenant of a company in the French war; refer to Washburn's History of Leicestershire, Mass.

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Francis, son of Jacob, marr. Catherine Earle 1796; had Welcome, b. 1797. John, b. 1801. He then marr. Polly Watson 1806; had Delphos, b. 1808. Catherine E. b. 1813 who marr. Ezekiel Bellows.

Gideon, son of Gideon, marr. Ruth Whitman Sept. 24 1765 and was killed at sea in 1777 probably in his country's service.

Gideon, son of James, with two of his sons, viz; Abraham and Jacob, went to Paxton, Mass. His family lived where Dr. Sanger lived. He, Gideon, died 1794 aged 90 years, never having had a physician in his life.

Abraham had James, Eliab and Luke. Eliab married Molly Lazelle 1767. Luke marr. Desire Packard Aug. 30, 1763.

James marr. Ruth Rice at New Braintree, Mass. Sept. 7, 1769 and had Willard, b. Apr. 3, 1770. Sabra, b. May 26, 1772. Huldah, b. Apr. 1774. James, b. June 24, 1776. Reuben, b. June 5, 1778. Levi, b. Nov. 17, 1780.* Joseph. Samuel.

James, b. probably in 1746 or 8, (date not clearly established) was a soldier in the war of the Revolution.

The records of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts state that "James Washburn appears with the rank of Sergeant, on the Lexington Alarm Roll of Capt. Jonathan Barnes' Co., Col. Jonathan Warner's Regiment.", which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775 from Brookfield, Mass., volume 11 page 200.

* The family record of Levi Washburn gives date of his birth Nov. 8, 1778 and that date was what he always counted from. This I know, from his living with my father, Samuel A. Washburn, for the last 15 years of his life. Where the mistake is I am unable to determine. By his reckoning he was 97 years. 6 months and 5 days old when he died (.D. E. W.)

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Also that above James Washburn appears with rank of Sergeant on muster roll of Capt. John Packard's Co., Col. David Brewer's Regt. dated Aug. 1, 1775; date of enlistment Apr. 27, 1775; length of service, 3 mos. 1 week and 4 days. Town to which soldier belonged, Brookfield. Mass. (vol. 16, page 6.)

James Washburn appears, with rank of Sergeant, on company returns of Capt. Packard's Co., Col. Brewer's Regt., dated Roxbury, Oct. 7, 1775; town to which soldier belonged, Brookfield; vol. 56, page 52.

James Washburn, appears among signatures to an order for Bounty coat, or its equivalent in money, due for eight months service in 1775 in Capt. John Packard's Co. Col. Rufus Putnam's(late, Col. D. Brewer's) Regt. dated Roxbury, Dec. 27, 1775 payable to Capt. Packard. vol 7 file 6.

The History of Brookfield, Mass. also states that James Washburn marched from Brookfield, Sept. 23, 1777 with rank of Sergeant, to join the army of Gen. Gates and took part in the battle of Saratoga, Oct. 7, 1777.

Levi, son of James and Ruth Rice, was born in Brookfield, Mass. Nov. 17, 1780(*see foot note*)and died in Woodstock, Vt. May 13, 1875 aged 95 yrs. 5 mos. 26 days.

He marr. Martha Tubbs, May 10, 1801 in Marlow, N. H. She was b. in Lyme, Conn. 1781 and died Feb. 26 1826. Levi marr. (2d.) Rachel Hildreth, b. Jan. 21, 1783 and died Jan. 12, 1857. He marr. (3d.)Mrs. Catherine Stratton, Dec. 1859 who died April 27, 1872.

No children by last two.

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There were born to Levi and Martha Tubbs Washburn,

Roxana,	b. Dec. 20, 1801;	died	July 29, 1803.
Nancy,	„ Feb. 25, 1805;	„	May 21, 1873.
Gilman R.	„ Mar, 3, 1807.		
Leonard F.	„ Nov, 21, 1808;	„	May 28, 1879.
William R.	„ June, 22, 1812;	„	June 18, 1814.
Ruth Maria	„ Aug. 20, 1814.		
William T.	„ Sept. 16, 1816;	„	May 29, 1883.
Samuel A.	„ Feb. 4, 1819.		
Phœbe L.	„ Dec. 22. 1820.		
Huldah R.	„ Oct. 26, 1823;	„	July 31, 1824,

Nancy, marr. Stillman Keyes. No children.

Gilman R., marr. Louisa Carlton. No children.

Leonard F., marr. Arvilla Nutting Sept. 29, 1831. She was b. Mar. 3, 1809 and died July 4, 1871.

Ruth M. marr. David McCrillis 1840.

William T. marr. Zilpha Murdock Jan. 16, 1843. She was b. Aug. 16, 1819 and died Oct. 13, 1902.

Samuel A. marr. Sarah Jane Jewell Dec. 7, 1842. She was b. Jan. 9, 1823 and died Dec. 15, 1888.

Phoebe L. marr. Samuel Britain Jan. 1, 1843.

Leonard F. and Arvilla had Milton W., b. June 8, 1832, died Mar. 16, 1834. Warren Azro, b. Jan. 6, 1835. Levi W., b. May 26, 1836. William Wallace, b. Nov 9 1837. Wilbur Fiske, b. July 19, 1840. Angelia Maria, b. Sept. 20, 1848.

Ruth M. and David McCrillis had George Gilman b. Jan. 2, 1836 died Dec. 23, 1890. Rufus Flanders, b. July 19, 1838. died Aug. 31, 1863. Melvin R. b. Apr. 26, 1842. Josephine Amelia, b. June 14, 1844 died Jan. 24, 1879. Levi Dennis, b. Jan. 4, 1848.

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William T. and Zilpha had Clarinda M., b. Jan. 30, 1844. Abbie M., b. July 10, 1846 died Sept. 14, 1846.

Ellen W., b. Aug. 15, 1847 died Aug. 25, 1847.

Abbie E., b. Mar. 11, 1849. Luna A., b. Aug. 14 1851 died Jan. 12, 1864.

Samuel A. and Sarah J. had Darwin Elber, b. Oct. 31, 1844. Samuel Edward, b. May 15, 1850 died June 14, 1850. Florabelle Hannah, b. Feb. 25, 1855 died Dec. 28, 1863. Mary Frances, b. Jan. 8. 1858.

Phœbe L. and Samuel Britain had Martha L. born July 1, 1844. Francis A., b. April 18, 1847.

Washburn, – Warren A. marr. Emmeline Taft Mar. 3 1857 had Wallace Taft, b. Nov. 1857.
He marr. 2d. Mary Logan Rickey Oct. 3, 1871 had Mark Walter, b. Nov. 1, 1875. Paul Leonard, b. Oct. 6, 1879 died Oct. 30, 1879. Warren A. was a member of the 6 Illinois Cavalry.

Levi W. marr. Mary H. Raymond, Oct. 18, 1865 had May Lillian, b. Dec. 24, 1868. He marr. 2d. Cynthia H. Slayton, Oct. 3, 1870.

William Wallace marr. Cleora Towne, Dec. 26, 1867 had 4 children.

Wilbur F. marr. Hattie F. Cootey, had Lawrence Milton, b. Oct. 1, 1870. Emily Arvilla, b. Dec. 16, 1873. Wallace Wilbur, b. Aug. 21, 1877. Willard Dow, b. May 16, 1882. William A. Shaw, b. Sept. 20, 1889.

Angelia M. marr. Albert Cady Prior Aug. 24, 1868 had Celia Anna, b. Feb. 11, 1870. Lelia Arvilla, b. July 29, 1871. Perley Albert, b. Sept. 24, 1873. Arthur Leonard Franklin, b. Sept. 24, 1874. Mabel Agnes, b. April 1876. Laura Angelia, b. Mar. 15, 1880.

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McCrillis, – George G. marr. Mary O. Chandler, Mar. 16, 1874 had William George, b. Aug. 7, 1876. Ernest J. b. Apr. 24, 1878.

Rufus F. was a member of the 1st. Vt. Battery in the civil war, and died at Baton Rouge, La. Aug. 31, 1863.

Melvin R. marr. Cornelia A. Eddy, 1867 who died Mar. 2, 1876. Marr. 2d. Mrs. Eunice T. Edson, 1889 had Ruth M. b. Mar. 18, 1890.

Josephine A. marr. Harry W. Munn, Sept. 24, 1865 died Jan. 24, 1879.

Levi D. marr. Emma Conner, May 1, 1871 had Clifton Walter, b. Feb. 3, 1874.

Washburn, – Clarinda M. marr. Henry H. Houghton Feb. 8, 1866. Henry H. was b. June 16, 1843 and was a member of Co. K. 3d. Reg. Vt. Infantry and served through the war; they had Elwin R. b. Feb. 11, 1867. Lucy A. b. June 29, 1876 died Apr. 5, 1886.

Abbie E. marr. Fred P. Marsh, Jan. 30, 1873.

Washburn, – Darwin E. marr. Effie S. Buck, Jan. 1. 1873. Mary F. marr. William B. Switzer Jan. 1, 1878.

Britain, – Martha L. marr. George W. Scribner, Nov. 22, 1866 had Lillian M. b. Nov. 9, 1868.

Francis A. marr. Martha Jarvis, July 14, 1877 had Ralph L. b. July 9, 1879. Abbie G. b. Aug. 9, 1882. Eric R. b. July 5, 1884. Royal b. Oct. 1, 1887. Samuel E. b. July 13, 1891. Hazel R. b. May 25, 1895. Elvina b. Nov. 23, 1897.

Washburn, – Wallace T. marr. had Wilbur and Myrtle.

Mark W. marr. Ardella May Bolles, Feb. 1, 1899 had Lucille Marie, b. July 3, 1900.

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May Lillian marr. George Winslow, Oct. 1901.

Lawrence M. marr. Tillie Christine Frank July 31, 1894.

Emily A. marr. Frank Stewart, Jan. 23, 1895 had J. Hazen, b. Nov. 13, 1896.

Prior – Celia A. marr. Elwin Owen, Aug. 24, 1892 had Hazel Prior, b. Aug. 8, 1893. Raymond Albert, b. Jan. 19, 1897. Lelia A. marr. Frederick L. Bishop, Aug. 9, 1899. Arthur L. F. marr. Jennie Alden Woodbury, Dec. 25, 1896 had Leonard Alden, b. Sept. 25, 1897. Marion Lena, b. Mar. 11, 1899. Mabelle A. marr. William Earle Hyslip, Aug. 17, 1897 had William Earle, b. June 5, 1900.

McCrillis – William G. marr. Ruth Stowell Clay, Jun. 5, 1901.

Ernest J. marr. Dora Lottie Whitney, Oct. 23, 1901.

Clifton W. marr. Virginia Larou, Apr. 1894 had Florence Ena, b. Dec. 10, 1894.

Houghton, – Elwin R. marr. Ellen L. Bennett, May 3, 1890 had Roy E. b. May 4, 1891. Karl W. b. June 9, 1893. Elsie Rae, b. Oct. 30, 1895.

Scribner, – Lillian M. marr. Simon A. Smith, Apr. 11, 1891.

Britain, – Ralph L. marr. Elvina M. Jarvis, Jun. 4, 1902

Eric R. marr. Alice Baker, Aug. 1902 had daughter b. Aug. 8, 1903.

Darwin E. was a member of Co. H, 7th. Regt. Vt. Vol. Infantry, and went to Texas, with the Regt. and was discharged at Clarksville, July 14, 1865.

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BURKE, in his "Dictionary of the Landed Gentry of England," says of this family, "That it was of Knightly degree previous to the reign of Edward 111, (1327—1377.) and in point of descent, ranked with the most ancient houses in the Kingdom.

It derived its name from the hamlet of "Washbourne or Wasseborne," in Worcestershire, where, at the earliest period of its history, we find it located.

The Washbournes were here until the commencement of the fifteenth century, when John Washbourne, (Great Grandson of Sir Roger Washbourne, of Washbourne) marrying the heiress of John Poher of Wynchenford, in Worcestershire, his son, Norman Washbourne, retired to his Mother's estate at Wynchenford, where his descendants continued to reside for many generations.

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William Wallace Washburn marr. Cleora Augusta Towne Dec. 26, 1866.

They had Emma Angelia, b. Oct. 28, 1867 ; married Joseph Marshall July 29, 1886.

Ella May, b. May 4, 1870 ; marr. William T. Bruckner Feb. 1893.

Fannie Belle, b. July 5, 1872 ; marr. Oscar A. Harding Sept. 6, 1899.

Marshall, – Thomas Wallace, b. Jan. 20, 1890.

Helen, b. Oct. 19, 1892.

Bruckner, – Bessie, b. Dec. 29, 1893. William Washburn, b. Jan. 1895, died Feb. 1899. Paul, b. Oct. 1899.

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